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Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend this application as follows:

In the Claims

Kindly cancel claims 1-29 and 38-45 without prejudice to filing them in a continuing or divisional application.

Claim 30 has been amended to clarify its meaning by closing the language as to the flame retardant so that the composition of the plastic container is required to contain a flame retardant which can only be a non-halogenated flame retardant.

Claims 30-37 are pending in the application.

Listing of Claims

1-29. (cancelled)

30. (Currently amended) A flame retardant-containing plastic container for one or both of shipping and storage comprising a polymeric composition comprising

- a) one or more of polyolefin resins or blends thereof, and
- b) one or more of thermosetting resins,

wherein said plastic container further comprising a non-halogenated composition contains a flame retardant, said flame retardant being selected from the group consisting of non-halogenated flame retardants.

31. (Previously presented) The plastic container according to claim 30 which is a pallet.

32. (Previously presented) The plastic container according to claim 30 wherein said thermosetting resin is an epoxy resin selected from the group consisting of epoxy, epoxide,

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oxirane and ethoxyline resins having one or more of aliphatic, cycloaliphatic, and aromatic backbones optionally having one or more of hydroxyl, acrylate, ethylenic unsaturation, and carboxylic acid ester functionality.

33. (Previously presented) The plastic container according to claim 30 comprising structural foam.

34. (Previously presented) The plastic container according to claim 30 further comprising one or both of bubbles and glass beads as fillers.

35. (Previously presented) The plastic container according to claim 30 further comprising an antimicrobial additive.

36. (Previously presented) The plastic container according to claim 30 wherein said flame retardant is selected from the group consisting of ammonium phosphates, compounds containing phosphorus-nitrogen bonds, and cyclic phosphates.

37. (Previously presented) The plastic container according to claim 30 wherein said flame retardant is present in an amount in the range of more than zero and up to and including 25 parts by weight of the total polymeric composition.

38-45. (cancelled)